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**Subject:** RE: EPA Response Letter Re Portland Harbor RI/FS Schedule  
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Kristine and Chip:

One quick perfunctory note regarding your letter: I am not the LWG Co-Chair (I am the Project Consultant). Future letters should reflect this change in role.

In regards to the letter itself, the LWG will discuss the technical issues with our common consultants, and the letter in general with the LWG Exec Committee this Wednesday (Feb. 2). That being said, this letter presents enormous challenges to the LWG. EPA has added two (2) check-ins to the process, requested rolling submittal of RI sections, while at the same time significantly contracted the submittal dates for key deliverables. As Project Consultant to the LWG I am struggling to find an avenue that makes this all work within the time frames stipulated in your letter, while ensuring the generation of deliverables that will meet the level of quality expected of LWG, EPA, and the public.

I have not had an opportunity to discuss this letter with Bob Wyatt, or any other LWG Exec member. As stated above, we will confer with our common consultants and the LWG Exec this week with the goal of trying to find a way to make this all work.

Once we've had some time to vet this internally we will contact the two of you to set up a date and time to discuss these issues.

Thanks,

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Jim and Bob - Here is EPA's letter that was sent to you today regarding the RI/FS Schedule for Portland Harbor. We appreciate your willingness to meet with us over the last two weeks to provide us with input that we considered in establishing these dates.

(See attached file: PH RIFS Scedule Letter 02-25-2011.pdf) (See attached file: PH RIFS Schedule Letter 02-25-2011 Attachment - EPA Clarifications to Resolution of EPA benthic Comments.pdf)

Have a great weekend.

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